

Memorandum



Utah Department of Transportation
Construction/Materials Division

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TO: UDOT Region Directors, Materials Engineers, District Engineers, Pavement Management Engineers

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SUBJECT: Discontinued Use of Open Graded Surface Course

In spring of 2008, the Department formed six Pavement Preservation QITs. The teams were formed to address the situation that preservation and rehabilitation funding would be less than half of what is needed. Recommendations were reported to the Senior Team and a decision was made to form a secondary QIT; QIT 7. One of the items passed along to QIT 7 was the recommendation to eliminate the use of OGSC. QIT 7 adopted this recommendation and formalized it to the Senior Team. The Senior Team and Technical Committee made a decision to ratify this recommendation.

Effective immediately, OGSC will not be an option on any projects. OGSC performance and economics are not consistent with the Department's philosophy any longer and will not be available for selection in Project Development Business System (PDBS).

In the rare cases where an existing, long performing OGSC exists and a second OGSC is proposed to be put directly on top without milling, the Region Materials Engineer may formally petition the Director of Operations, on a case-by-case basis, to use OGSC.